3. Drugs from plants (marine flora)

The Central Drug Research Institute, Lucknow implements the Department of Ocean Development sponsored National Project on 'Development of Potential Drugs from the Ocean' as the nodal agency with nine other collaborating partners from Central Institutes/Universities. Two chemically different fractions of a marine organism (flora), CDR-134, are being developed as an antidiabetic againt non-insulin dependent diabetes mellitus (NIDDM) and another fraction as an antidiarrhoeal agent.

(b) The year-wise and allocation-wise break-up of the funds allocated during the last three years for the purposes are as follows :

Sl. No.	Purpose	Funds allocation (In lakhs of Rs.)		
		1998-99	1999-2000	2000-2001
1.	NIOT Mission Mode projects	1449.00	2400.00	1669.00
2.	Polymetallic Nodules Programme (PMN)	2031.00	1074.00	1423.00
3.	Drugs from Sea	271.00	164.00	200.00

Double Line on Ghaziabad-Moradabad Rail Route

2066. CHAUDHARY HARMOHAN SINGH YADAV : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to lay down double line on Ghaziabad-Moradabad rail route; if so, the time schedule and if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether Government are aware that both the passenger and goods trains run late by several hours due to single rail line there, resulting in undue delay in transportation of goods; and

(c) if so, whether Government propose to make specific provisions in the Budget to convert this line in the next two years; if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL) : (a) The entire doubling from Ghaziabad to Hapur completed and commissioned. The work is currently in progress in two phases of the project i.e Amroha-Moradabad and Amroha-Kankether.

(b) The section is saturated and patch doubling has been taken up to ease congestion.

(c) The work would be completed in the coming years as per availability of resources. An outlay for the two phases already taken up is Rs. 25 crores in the year 2001-02.

Vacant posts of Supervisors in Delhi Railway Division

2067. DR. ARUN KUMAR SARMA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) The details of posts of Chief Supervisors/Supervisors (Ticketing) lying vacant in Delhi Railway Division for the last five years;

(b) what are the reasons for not filling up these posts; and

(c) by when these posts are likely to be filled up and the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Railways in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL) : (a) The year-wise position of occurrence of vacancies and promotions made in the categories of Chief Reservation Supervisor grade Rs. 6500-10500 and Reservation Supervisor grade Rs. 5500-9000 during the last five years is as given below :—

Year	Chief Reservation Supervisor grade Rs. 6500-10500		Reservation Supervisor grade Rs. 5500-9000	
	Number of vacancies occurred	Number of promotions made	Number of vacancies occurred	Number of promotions made
1996-97	12	—	44	56**
1997-98	9	—	2	2
1998-99	—	21	24	12
1999-2000	6	—	—	2*
2000-2001 and beyond upto 31-10-2001	11	—	31	38**
Total	38	21	101	110

*Promotions made against vacancies in the higher grade.

**Promotions made against vacancies in the higher grade also.

17 posts of Chief Reservation Supervisors are lying vacant on the Division as on 1-11-2001 from different dates from August 1999 onwards. However no post of Reservation Supervisor is lying vacant on Delhi Division.